

D4044 ALLEGED ASSAULT ON MISS
8 10. 32 K. HORNBY BY AXEL JACOBSEN

DANISH BROTHER.

W. C. MOORE, D. S. PRYDE. S. L. GAY

TULLOCH

D4045 D. C. CRIMEAL INQUIRY CONFERENCE
22 9. 32 TO BE HELD IN THE COMMISSIONER'S
OFFICE

D4047 CIRCULAR OF UNITED STATES POST
22 9. 32 OFFICE RE GEORGE A. M. KROTHAP
WANTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

D4048 TATSUICHIRO FUNATSU, DIRECTOR OF THE
14 8. 32 JAPANESE COTTON MILLOWNERS' ASSOCIATION
IN CHINA

D4049 LETTER No 856 RE: King NYOH-TSENG AND
23 9. 32 WANG PEI TING WANTED FOR OBTAINING
MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES FROM THE
PUBLIC SAFETY BUREAU SHANGHAI

D. 4044.

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October

7,

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of September 17 regarding the alleged assault on Miss K. Hornby by Mr. Axel Jacobsen and to forward herewith a copy of a supplementary statement made by Detective Sergeant W.C. Moore in connection with this matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sd) F. W. Gerrard

Commissioner of Police.

Consul General,

Royal Danish Consulate-General,

Shanghai.

KMB

7/10/32

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT OF POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.

The following is the statement of Det. Sgt. 241 W.C. Moore.
native of _____ taken by me _____
at Hqrs. on the 6/10/32. and interpreted by _____

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W.C.B.
Information
DBR 6/10
D.B. (brimo)

C.P.



W.C. Moore
Det. Sgt. 241

The Consul-General for Denmark requests that a copy of the supplementary report by D.S. Moore be sent to him.

J.H. Evans
O. i/c Sp. Br.

OCT. 6 1932

Det. Sgt. 241 J.C. Moore.

Hdqrs.

6/10/32.

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D. S. 241.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY

Special Branch S. 2. Station

Date October 6, 1932.

Subject (in full) Telephone message from Danish Consulate-General.

Made by D.S. Moore.

Forwarded by

At about 4 p.m. October 5, the undersigned received a telephone message from the Danish Consulate-General requesting his presence there at 11 a.m. October 6, 1932 in connection with allegations made against Axel Jacobsen (Danish subject) by Miss K. Hornby (British) at Central Station on September 17. Permission is now sought for the request of the Danish Consul-General to be complied with.

Officer i/c Special Branch.

D.B. (Crime)

Subject to your approval, I shall instruct D.S. Moore to attend at the Danish Consulate as requested.

O.R. S.B.

D.S. Moore warned.

8/10/32

O. i/c Sp. Br.

OCT. 6 1932



SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
C. & S. B. REGISTRY

No. D 4044

D. 2619 132

September 24, 32.

Sir,

In further reply to your letter of September 17th, I have the honour to forward herewith copies of police reports as requested. The statement of Miss Hornby is incorporated in the report of Detective Sergeant Moore.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sd) F. W. Gerrard.

Commissioner of Police.

Consul-General,

Royal Danish Consulate-General,

Shanghai.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

REPORT

Central Station,

Date 22 9 1932.

Subject (in full) Report on an Alleged Assault on a British Subject by a Danish Subject.

Made by S. I. Tulloch.

Forwarded by C. I. M. Sullivan

Sir,

I beg to report that I was on charge office duty on 17-9-32 and at about 4.50 a.m. D.S. Moore, attached to the Special Branch, accompanied by Miss K. Hornby, British Subject, residing 14, Kiukiang Road Flat No.2, and employed as manageress of the Louisiane Restaurant, 13 Kiukiang Road, and Mr. Axel Jacobsen, Danish Subject also residing 14 Kiukiang Road, Flat 6 D, came to the Station.

In the charge room Miss Hornby made a complaint of having been assaulted by Mr. Jacobsen. It appears Miss Hornby's flat adjoins that of Mr. Jacobsen and at about 3. a.m. 17-9-32, he entered her flat by the door, it at the time being unlocked, and came up to her bed in which she was sleeping removing the bed clothes, taking hold of her night dress, and Miss Hornby on wakening and seeing Jacobsen over her bed screamed. Mr. Jacobsen then taking the bed pillow forcing it over her mouth and gripping her throat tried to quieten her. On freeing herself Miss Hornby took a dressing gown and ran out of her flat on to the Kiukiang Road, proceeding to D. S. Moore's quarters, 3 A, Kiukiang Road, to ask his assistance.

D. S. Moore accompanied Miss Hornby to her flat, on the way calling C.P.Cs 917 & 1449 to follow and on arriving found Jacobsen had left the flat. D. S. Moore, then knocked at Jacobsen's door and gained admittance requesting him to accompany complainant and himself to Central Station.

Mr. Jacobsen stated in the charge room that he had known Miss Hornby for over one year, the door key of his flat fitting that of complainant and vice versa, and that she had been in the habit of entering his flat and using his telephone also using

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Station,

Date 19

Subject (in full) Continued

Made by Forwarded by

his bathroom to wash her hair when she had no hot water in her room. This Miss Hornby admitted. Mr. Jacobsen further stated on returing to his flat on the morning and question complainant was standing in the door way of her flat (which she denies) and entered as he has done on many previous occasion to hold conversation with her. Mr. Jacobsen had apparently been drinking and would give no definite reason why he entered Miss Hornby's flat.

Complainant bore no marks of assault and did not wish to go to hospital.

There were no witnesses of the affair and on instructions from C. I. 1/c, complainant was referred and advised to make her complaint at the Danish Consulate, and Jacobsen released.

This Miss Hornby stated she would do later on the morning.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. U. A.

J. J. Mullock S. I.

Wmt

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REPORT

Central Police Station,

Date September 22, 1932

Subject (in full) Attached.

Made by and Forwarded by C.I. MacGillivray

Sir,

With reference to the alleged assault on Miss Morby, I beg to report that after having obtained full particulars of the case, I advised S.I. Tulloch to refer complainant to the Danish Consul for Summons. Police action was refused for the following reasons :-

- (1) Complainant bore no marks of violence.
- (2) No witnesses to the assault.
- (3) Mr. Jacobson and complainant had previously been on very friendly terms and it was not unusual for them to visit each other rooms.

D. O. "A"

h. m. Gillivray
Chief Inspector in-charge.

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REPORT

Central Station,

Date Sept. 21, 1932.

Subject (in full) Report on attached.

Made by D. S. Fryde

Forwarded by C. I. 101

Sir,

At about 5 a.m. 17-9-32 I was called to the Charge Room by S. I. Tullock on duty. On my arrival F.I.R. 1384/32 was already made out by S. I. Tullock.

Complainant bore no signs of assault and did not wish to go to hospital. According to both Jacobsen and complainant they had previously been on quite friendly terms and it was not unusual for them to visit one another's rooms. There were no witnesses of the affair and no line on which enquiries could be made. Under these circumstances I suggested the case be referred to C.I. i/c before any action was taken.

On the instructions of the C.I. i/c Jacobsen was released and the complainant referred to the Danish Consulate.

Jacobsen had apparently been drinking.

D. S. Fryde

D. S. 101.

Senior Detective (Central).

D. D. C. "A"

Date September 24, 1932.

(C. & S.B.) Office Notes

Commissioner of Police,

Attached letter from the Consul-General
for Denmark.

A summary of the case is as follows, statements from all concerned are attached.

At 3.40 a.m. September 17, D. S. 241 W. J. Moore attached Special Branch living in quarters, 19 Kiukiang Road was awakened by a Miss K. Hornby dressed in night attire and a kimono having no shoes and wet from rain.

She stated a Danish subject named Jacobsen residing in the flat adjacent to her own had entered her room 5th floor, 14 Kiukiang Road, and attempted to rape her.

D. S. Moore accompanied her to Jacobsen's flat and after some difficulty persuaded that man to proceed to Central Station where the case was reported.

Miss K. Hornby is employed as Manageress of the Louisiane Restaurant. (Note A. C. (Special Branch) reports that this ^{ap}artment has in the past been held by ladies of doubtful virtue.)

Miss K. Hornby reported to S. I. Tullock on Charge Room duty that she had been assaulted by Jacobsen and rape attempted; that she had screamed and he had placed a pillow on her face and finally that she had escaped and run to D. S. Moore.

Mr. Jacobsen reported that he had known Miss Hornby for over a year and that their respective door keys fitted both flats. Their relations had been very friendly, which Miss Hornby did not deny. He further stated that on returning to his flat he saw Miss Hornby standing in the doorway of her flat and that he entered to talk to her as he had done on many occasions.

Mr. Jacobsen had apparently been drinking. Complainant bore no visible marks of assault and did not

Date

(C. & S.B.) Office Notes

wish to go to Hospital to be examined.

There were no witnesses to the alleged assault.

D.S. G.B. Pryde and J.I. MacGillivray confirm the above and the latter referred ~~the~~ complainant to the Danish Consulate for action against Mr. Jacobsen for the following reasons :-

- (1) Complainant bore no marks of assault and would not go to Hospital.
- (2) No witnesses.
- (3) Friendly relations between the pair and frequent visits and use of each others flats.

Kim Bourne

Deputy Commissioner (Crime)

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

REPORT OF POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.

The following is the statement of Det. Sgt. 241 W.C. Moore.
native of _____ taken by me _____
at Hqrs. on the 23/9/32. and interpreted by _____

At about 3.40 a.m. September 17, 1932, whilst asleep in my quarters at 19 Kiukiang Road, I was awakened by a loud knocking on the outside door of the flat and some person calling me by name. Upon enquiry I discovered that the person was a Miss K. Hornby, a 21 years of age British subject, whom I have known for about eighteen months and who resides at 14 Kiukiang Road. This lady was in her night attire which was covered with a kimono, was without shoes or stockings and was very wet having run from 14 Kiukiang Road in a downpour of rain. She was in a very distressed and hysterical condition. She informed me that a male Danish subject named Jacobsen, residing in the flat adjacent to her own, had, earlier in the morning entered her room and attempted to rape her and begged me to assist her as she was afraid to return to her quarters unaccompanied. Seeking further particulars on the subject of the above allegation, I questioned Miss Hornby and elicited

the information that only herself and the man Jacobsen were then in occupation of quarters on the 5th floor at 14 Kiukiang Road. This man was known to her, as she had been residing in the said building since May 1932 and had met him on a friendly basis on several occasions. On the strength of this friendship, Jacobsen had entered her room uninvited on two or three occasions before at night time, by the simple expedient of climbing round a wooden partition separating their common verandah, after he had discovered her room door to be locked. These incidents occurred after he had been drinking, but she had always been able to persuade him to leave and return to

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his own room. At about 3 a.m. on the morning ~~an~~ question she was asleep in her room and was awakened by someone removing the bed clothes from her body. She discovered that it was the man Jacobsen and demanded from him what he wanted. He retaliated by interfering with her night dress in an effort to expose the lower part of her body. At this juncture, she commenced to shout and scream, Jacobsen silencing her cries by pressing a pillow on her face and seizing her by the throat. Miss Hornby struggled, eventually freeing herself from his grasp and left the room on the pretext of obtaining some drinking water. Once outside the room, she ran down the five flights of stairs on to the street and there met a C.P.W. to whom she attempted to explain in English what had happened and requested him to find either a foreign or Chinese policeman. The watchman evidently did not understand what ~~had~~ been said and as there were no uniformed policemen in sight, Miss Hornby proceeded to the Police Quarters, No.3 Kiukiang Road.

With these particulars recounted, I accompanied Miss Hornby to the 5th Floor, 14 Kiukiang Road after having met the watchman of the building and instructing him to call some Police assistance and attempted to interview the man Jacobsen. I knocked three times on his door which was locked, without receiving a reply and then was greeted with the words, "what the Hell do you want? Come again tomorrow." I informed Jacobsen as to who I was and the nature of my business and requested him to open the door. At about this time, two C.P.Cs. attached to Central Station and the watchman of the building made their

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appearance on the 5th Floor. After giving the two C.P.Cs. a brief outline of what had occurred, I repeated my request to Jacobsen, who I then heard closing the French windows on his verandah, he evidently being afraid that I should enter his room by the route taken by himself on previous occasions when he had visited the room occupied by Miss Hornby. The ^{flat} occupied by Jacobsen, comprises two rooms, one of which he uses ^{as} an office and the other as living quarters. As he ignored my requests to open his door, Miss Hornby then produced the key to her room door and opened the door of Jacobsen's office. Jacobsen whom it appeared to me had been drinking, was seen out of bed and attired in a bath robe. I informed him that allegations had been made against him by Miss Hornby and requested him to accompany me to Central Station so that an enquiry could be made. In a blustering manner he replied that he did not know what I was talking about and that I should suffer very seriously for having awakened him in the middle of the night. I made this individual understand that if he consented to accompany me to Central Station it would be of his own free will and I advised him that for his own good he had better comply with my request. Jacobsen then changed into street clothes and accompanied by Miss Hornby, the two C.P.Cs. and myself, proceeded to Central Station. Here, the complaint against Jacobsen as given above, was lodged by Miss Hornby and an enquiry into the matter held by the Sub-Inspector on Night Office duty. Jacobsen at first made repeated denials of ever having been in Miss Hornby's room and stated that the first he knew of the affair was when I knocked on his

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door. Eventually he admitted having entered the room but denied having attempted to commit the offence as alleged. He made stupid allegations against myself, stating that he knew I was the sweetheart of the lady in question and that he had seen me in her room at night whilst admitting that he was aware of the fact that Miss Hornby is engaged to be married to a member of the Fire Brigade. D.S. Pryde, Central Station, conducted further enquiries into the case and the C.I. i/c Central Station was consulted, the latter giving as his opinion, that owing to the lack of witnesses to the alleged assault and the absence of any marks or bruises on Miss Hornby to verify her story, there were insufficient grounds on which to base a charge against Axel Jacobsen and ~~advised her~~ advising the complainant to report the matter to the Danish Consulate-General. I then returned to No. 14 Kiukiang Road with Miss Hornby and on my advice she spent the remainder of the night with friends residing in Yuen Ming Yuen Road. The latter suggestion was carried out at 10 a.m. September 17, 1932, when Miss Hornby proceeded to the Danish Consulate-General accompanied by the undersigned.

W.B. Moore
B. S. 241.

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C. & S. B. REGISTRY

No. D H044
20, 9, 32

September 19, 32.

Consul General,
Royal Danish Consulate-General,
Shanghai.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 17th September, in reference to ^{an} alleged assault on Miss Hornby of 14 Kiukiang Road, and, in reply, to inform you that the matter will receive attention.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sd) F. W. Gerrard

Commissioner of Police.



Shanghai, 17th September 1932.

The Commissioner of Police.
Shanghai Municipal Police.

S H A N G H A I .

Sir:

Accompanied by Mr. Walter C. Moore of the S.M.P., Special Branch, Miss Hornby of 14 Kiukiang Road, this morning appeared at this Consulate General complaining of an assault committed on her last night at 3 a.m. by Mr. Axel Jacobsen, a Danish subject who is living in a room next to hers on 5th floor, 14 Kiukiang Road. According to her statement the offence took place in her room but she succeeded in escaping and ran to the Police-station and reported the case. Mr. Moore then went to the place and Mr. Jacobsen voluntarily followed him back to the Police-station.

I shall appreciate very much if you will so good as to furnish me with particulars of the case and copies of the statements given by both parties. Please, also state the reason why the case was refused charge.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,

McCurm
Consul General.